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Venga Tu Reino!

To whom it may concern:

“Pregnancy is not a disease, and drugs and surgeries to prevent it are not basic health care that the government should require all Americans to purchase. Please remove sterilization and prescription contraceptives from the list of “preventive services” the federal government is mandating in private health plans. It is especially important to exclude any drug that may cause an early abortion, and to fully respect religious freedom as other federal laws do. The narrow religious exemption in HHS’s new rule protects almost no one. I urge you to allow all organizations and individuals to offer, sponsor and obtain health coverage that does not violate their moral and religious convictions.”

In Christ,  
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La caridad es todo porque, como enseña San Juan (cf. *1 Jn* 4,8.16) y como he recordado en mi primera Carta encíclica «Dios es caridad» (*Deus caritas est*): *todo proviene de la caridad de Dios, todo adquiere forma por ella, y a ella tiende todo*. La caridad es el don más grande que Dios ha dado a los hombres, es su promesa y nuestra esperanza. Pope Benedictus XVI, Caritas in veritate

“God is love” (*Deus Caritas Est*): *everything has its origin in God's love, everything is shaped by it, everything is directed towards it*. Love is God's greatest gift to humanity, it is his promise and our hope. Pope Benedict XVI, Caritas in veritate